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ADDENDUM TO DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE DATED: JULY 9, 2012

Name of DNS: WHISKEY DICK ROAD IMPROVEMENT

Description of DNS:

The Whiskey Dick Ridge Road is a primitive dirt and bedrock road within the WDFW's Whiskey Dick Unit of the LT Murray Wildlife Area. This project addresses the improvement of the ridge road only, including reshaping the road, rocking, and providing drainage. Disturbed soil will be seeded and mulched during an appropriate weather window (Spring or Fall).

Road Maintenance includes improving the road surface to a 12-foot wide standard. Removing large rock outcrops within the road, and reshaping the road to eliminate steeply outsloped road surfaces.

The project also includes protection of a documented cultural site. The proposal is to cover the site with geotextile and rock over the fabric.

Proponent/Applicant:

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Location of DNS, including street, if any: Whiskey Dick Unit of LT Murray Wildlife Area, Washington, Kittitas County: Sections 11, 12, 14, Township 17 North, Range 21 East WM and Sections, 4, 7, 8, 9 Township 17 North Range 22 East WM and Section 35, Township 18 North, Range 22 East WM.

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW is providing updated information on this project that may be of interest to other agencies or the public. The updated information provided below does not substantially change the analysis of significant impacts in the existing environmental checklist.

The original environmental checklist dated July 9, 2012 , should be modified to reflect the following changes (Amended 8-22-12 by Shana Winegeart. See attached amended checklist.)

12. Location should be: T17-R21-Sec 11, 12, 14; T17-R22-Sec 4, 7, 8, 9
T18-R22-Sec 35.

3. Water a. Surface, 1 and 2 should read: “The Whiskey Dick Ridge Road project will end roughly 100’ before it intersects the Whiskey Dick Creek Road and will not impact the creek bed.

4. Plants

a. Delete “deciduous tree” and “pasture”

b. Remove reference to willows and rose. Revegetation will entail site appropriate grass species.

d. Grass species will entail bluebunch wheatgrass, Sandberg's bluegrass, and Idaho fescue.

Delete: “Replant disturbed sites with native shrubs and trees (willows, rose hawthorn, service berry)”

5. Animals:

a. delete “trout”

d. The purpose of the project is to improve dangerous sections of the Ridge Road and reduce surface erosion. Work will be conducted within the road prism or immediately adjacent to minimize impacts to wildlife and habitats.

8. Land and Shoreline Use

1. This project has been listed in the L.T. Murray Wildlife Area plan since 2006.

C. Signature: Amended 8-22-12 by Shana Winegeart

Based on the original environmental checklist and the updated information provided in this addendum, we have determined that a new threshold determination is not warranted. There is no comment period associated with this SEPA environmental checklist addendum.

Responsible Official: Bob Zeigler

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